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1. FROM EARLIER CONVERSATIONS WITH MINAG OFFICIALS, AGATT FEELS THAT THE FRG WOULD SUPPORT A CHANGE IN THE EC MANDATE ONLY IF THEY FELT A COMPROMISE ON THE ISSUE OF MINIMUM/MAXIMUM PRICING IN A GRAIN AGREEMENT WAS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, MINAG OFFICIALS HAVE EMPHASIZED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN THE PAST THAT A COMPROMISE MEANS MOVEMENT ON BOTH SIDES. THEY HAVE DIFFICULTY UNDERSTANDING OUR INABILITY TO DEVISE SOME TYPE OF SYSTEM TO CONTROL MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PRICING. IN FACT, FRG OFFICIALS TEND TO TRANSLATE OUR INABILITY INTO UNWILLINGNESS TO CHANGE OUR MARKETING SYSTEM. THEY HAVE POINTED OUT IN THE PAST THAT THEY WOULD HAVE EVEN GREATER POLITICAL

PROBLEMS WITHIN THE EC TO ANY CHANGES IN THE GRAIN CAP WHICH MIGHT RESULT FROM THE GRAIN NEGOTIATIONS BECAUSE OF THE REQUIRED UNANIMITY AMONG MEMBER STATES. MINAG OFFICIALS TAKE THE LINE THAT THE U. S. CANNOT HAVE IT BOTH WAYS, I.E., PURCHASE COMMITMENTS BY IMPORTING COUNTRIES WHEN PRICES ARE LOW AND SUPPLIES LARGE BUT NO ENFORCEABLE MAXIMUM PRICE LEVELS OR RESTRAINTS WHEN SUPPLIES ARE SHORT.

2. AGATT UNDERSTAND FROM DISCUSSIONS IN MINAG LAST WEEK ON ANOTHER SUBJECT THAT SECRETARY BERGLAND DISCUSSED THE FRG POSITION RE A GRAIN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUE OF MINIMUM/MAXIMUM PRICING WITH MINISTER ERTL AT FAO MEETING IN ROME. -

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